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ANALYSIS OF THE ENVIRONMENT (02.07-21)

REF: (A) STATE 86498, (B) MOSCOW 7047, (C) STATE 106683

1. ON MAY 23 KAZAKOV GAVE EMBOFF LETTER FROM IZRAEL'  
TO GERBER ON SUBJECT PROJECT. INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANS-  
LATION FOLLOWS PARA 2 BELOW. ORIGINAL POUCHED TO EPA  
FOR SHOSTAL, REGISTRY NO- 3584690.

2. DEAR MR. GERBER:

I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SOVIET SIDE  
PROPOSES TWO REGIONS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE FOURTH  
SOVIET-AMERICAN SYMPOSIUM ON COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS  
OF THE ENVIRONMENT. 1) THE UNIQUE NATURAL OBJECT/  
REGION LAKE BAIKAL AND 2) A REGION, IN WHICH INTENSIVE  
DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY ENTERPRISES WILL SOON BEGIN --  
THE KANSK-ACHINSKI FUEL-ENERGY COMPLEX, WHICH YOU HAVE  
UNDOUBTEDBLY HEARD ABOUT FROM OUR PRESS. IT APPEARS  
TO US THAT IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO VISIT BOTH  
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THESE REGIONS IN A SHORT TIME. THE KANSK-ACHINSK  
REGION AT THE PRESENT TIME WOULD NOT BE INTERESTING  
FOR A VISIT BY A GROUP OF EXPERTS: THE PRODUCTIVE  
WORK IN THE REGION STILL HAS NOT BEGUN, THERE ARE NO  
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTES THERE, AND MOREOVER  
THERE ARE NO COMFORTABLE HOTELS. WE CONSIDER IT  
MORE USEFUL FOR THE AMERICAN SPECIALISTS TO VISIT

LAKE BAIKAL (INCLUDING THE BARGUZINSKIY PRESERVE),  
WHERE IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR THEM TO FAMILIARIZE  
THEMSELVES WITH A SERIES OF ECOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS  
STUDYING THIS UNIQUE NATURAL OBJECT, AND ALSO WITH THE  
ACTIVITY OF THE BAIKAL PULP FACTORY IN PREVENTING THE  
POLLUTION OF THE LAKE FROM WASTE WATER. WE CONSIDER  
IT DESIRABLE TO SCHEDULE THE VISIT JULY 23 - AUGUST

4. IF ALL THE ABOVE IS ACCEPTABLE WE WILL SEND YOU A  
SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL PROGRAM OF THE VISIT SOON AFTER  
RECEIPT OF YOUR CONFIRMATION.

3. COMMENT - EMBOFF ASKED KAZAKOV WHETHER IT WOULD BE  
POSSIBLE FOR THE DELEGATION TO VISIT SOME OTHER SOVIET  
ENERGY PRODUCING REGION, NOTING THAT GERBER HAD  
EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO VISIT THE SOMOTLOR OIL FIELDS  
(REF C). KAZAKOV INDICATED THAT THE KANSK-ACHINSK  
REGION IS THE ONLY ENERGY PRODUCING REGION IN THE  
USSR WHERE A "COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH" TO ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION AND ENERGY PRODUCTION IS BEING ADOPTED,  
AND HE CLAIMED THAT IT WOULD NOT BE USEFUL TO  
VISIT ANY OTHER ENERGY PRODUCING REGION. KAZAKOV  
ADDED THAT SOVIET SPECIALISTS WILL BE PREPARED TO  
DISCUSS THE SOVIET "COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH" TO  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN ENERGY REGIONS AT THE  
UPCOMING COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS SYMPOSIUM AND HE  
ALSO NOTED THAT ONCE THE KANSK-ACHINSK REGION HAS BEEN  
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FULLY DEVELOPED THE SOVIETS WILL BE HAPPY TO ARRANGE  
A VISIT THERE FOR US SPECIALISTS. HE DID NOT  
INDICATE; HOWEVER, WHEN THIS WOULD OCCUR.

4. SHOULD US ACCEPT SOVIET PROPOSAL TO LIMIT VISIT  
TO THE BAIKAL REGION, WE RECOMMEND THAT US GIVE SERIOUS  
CONSIDERATION TO CHANGING VENUE OF RETURN SOVIET  
VISIT TO US FROM A COAL PRODUCING AREA AS INDICATED  
IN REF A TO A REGION MORE COMPARABLE TO BAIKAL  
AND EQUALLY WELL VISITED BY SOVIET SPECIALISTS SUCH  
AS LAKE TAHOE. MATLOCK

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